



## Lee N. Coffee Sr.

October 15, 1938 - October 7, 2023

Lee N. Coffee Sr., 84, of Painesville, passed away October 7, 2023 at home, surrounded by his family. He was born October 15, 1938 in Washington, NC, to the late Dorotha Cogdell and Mary Parker (nee: Coffey).

Born in Washington, North Carolina and raised by his grandmother, Rozella Gorham, he attended P.S. Jones High School, leaving to join the U.S. Air Force. Lee moved to Painesville, Ohio in 1957, where he worked several jobs including Lubrizol, the Painesville City Water Plant, and driving a school bus for Painesville City Local Schools. Lee was a proud member of New Beginnings Home Group where he celebrated 32 years of sobriety at the beginning of October. Lee enjoyed many things including spending time with his family and friends, playing poker and pinochle, watching sports or catching up on the latest news on CNN. He loved sitting on the porch listening to his music, especially his Ray Charles records. If you were ever lucky enough to be invited to his weekly Tuesday waffle dinners, he would happily show you how well manicured his lawn was, which he took great joy in and spent numerous hours caring for. In his spare time, he was often seen hanging out in Home Depot looking for the latest tool or gadget. Lee was a member of Union Community Church, where he proudly served as an Elder. As an Elder he served the ministry often reminding people that things would work out as long as they "Keep their hand in God's hand".

Survivors include his wife of 21 years, Sandra Coffee; children, Lee N. (Janet) Coffee Jr., surrogate son; Eddie (Sylvia) Turner, Tosche Coffee-Stevens, Aaron (Adrienne) Green and Amber Coffee-Daniel (Davion); daughter-in-law, Charlene Coffee; a loving host of 16 grandchildren, several great grandchildren, and many great-great grandchildren and God children, Camille White and Dora Lee Bechtel; siblings, Sam Parker, Darnell (Bud) Wood, Omar Parker, Donna (Sly) Link, Mary Parker, Frank Parker and Alveno (Tammy) Parker and many nieces, nephews and other loving family members and friends.

Lee was preceded in death by his former wives, Dorothy Coffee and Jeanette Coffee; sons, Bishop Roderick A. Coffee I and Nathan Coffee and siblings, Bea Manual, Elanor Parker, Alvin "JuJu" Parker, Dora Lee Parker and Iris "Sweetie" Parker.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 am to 11:00 am, Saturday, October 14, 2023 at Union Community Church, 10959 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Concord, OH 44077. A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 am at the church.

In memory of Lee, memorial contributions may be made to Hannah's Home at P.O. Box 1395, Mentor, OH 44061 or [hannahshome.org](http://hannahshome.org) or Mercy Ships, P.O. Box 1930 Garden Valley, TX 75771 or [mercyships.org](http://mercyships.org)

Arrangements entrusted to the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, Ohio 44060.

Send flowers and offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Union Community Church  
10959 Johnnycake Ridge Road  
Concord Township, OH 44077  
(440) 352-3556

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 13, 2023 at 09:03 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 13, 2023 at 02:21 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 13, 2023 at 12:03 PM



“ *Dea.Maxie & Nancy Allen ,Gran & Pop purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



**Dea.Maxie & Nancy Allen ,Gran & Pop -** October 13, 2023 at 11:58 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 13, 2023 at 08:42 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 12, 2023 at 06:15 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 12, 2023 at 05:46 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 12, 2023 at 04:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 12, 2023 at 10:43 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 12, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



October 11, 2023 at 09:00 PM



“ *On behalf of Hattie Charlton and family, we offer our sincere condolences to the family of Lee Coffee. Aunt Rosa was my mother , Hattie Johnson Blount’s older sister. Mary Parker, his mother, was my first cousin. I am so happy I had the opportunity to speak with Lee not too long ago. Though he has now entered Eternity to be with the Lord, his presence will be missed by many.*

**Hattie Charlton** - October 11, 2023 at 06:30 PM

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*On behalf of Mr& Mrs Leroy& Diana Jenkins and Family, We wanted to share our deepest condolences to the family of Mr. Lee Coffee Family . We're first cousins , his sister Mrs. Bea Manual was my first cousins. To be absent from the body is to be with our Loving Father. Praying for your comfort and peace in your heart. God Bless you. Until we meet again.*

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**Wanda Jenkins** - October 14, 2023 at 12:21 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



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October 11, 2023 at 02:02 PM

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“ I asked the Lord to give me love -  
His love for souls in sin;  
Instead He gave me weeping eyes,  
A broken heart within.

I asked Him why He gave me tears,  
He took me back in time  
To when my Savior lived on earth,  
When He was in His prime.

I saw Him go to where His friend  
Was lying in a grave;  
The sisters and their friends were grieved -  
What love to them He gave.

You see my Savior standing there  
Was also grieved that day,  
He wept great heaving tears with sobs  
Till those who saw could say:

"Behold we see now how He loved."  
His tears revealed His heart  
His love was evident through tears -  
I saw God's point in part.

And then He took me to the day  
The people hailed their King  
While Jesus enters to their cheers  
The children run and sing.

But when He saw Jerusalem  
Stretched out before His eye,  
His soul was moved with grief for them;  
It moved His heart to cry.

Oh, as I read those solemn words

*I feel that they are sweet  
For in them I behold His love  
So perfect and complete.*

*To one more place He took me now,  
At midnight I beheld  
The Son of God bowed down with grief  
In deepest sorrow held.*

*I heard His weeping, strong and deep,  
But through it I discerned  
He prayed for me - it melted me,  
His love for me I learned.*

*With tearful joy I thanked the Lord  
For answering my prayer,  
For giving me His love for souls -  
His tears, His heart, His care.*

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**DeAnthony Maxie** - October 11, 2023 at 11:47 AM

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“ *Stava purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



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**Stava** - October 11, 2023 at 11:32 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



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October 11, 2023 at 10:28 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lee N. Coffee Sr..*



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October 10, 2023 at 08:24 PM



“ *Had the pleasure of knowing, elder coffee, from union community church, he was a devoted to god man and a wonderful person, Sandra except my condolences*

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**Regina Gurley** - October 10, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ *We will forever have fond memories of Lee as childhood hometown friends ! Sincere condolences to the family.*

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**Lena & Melvin Boyd** - October 10, 2023 at 01:15 PM